

DRAFT Minutes of the Transportation Advisory Committee Meeting  
March 9, 2016

7:33 PM Meeting called to order

Attending Committee Members were: Soraya Stevens, Margot Fleischman, Dan Silverman, Shawn Hannegan, and Stacy Chandler

Motion to accept minutes of the previous (1/13/2016) meeting seconded and approved unanimously.

7:34 PM Selectmen Update

- Margot attended the meeting of stakeholders for the non-infrastructure recommendations for Bike/Ped MP. We need to review those items and brainstorm what we can do.
- Park and Pedal signs are coming. Four locations have been chosen.
- Complete Streets policy – there was a bit of a delay due to the building renovations. Adrienne and others went to the Complete Streets presentation in January. The presentation included a rubric for scoring so the town staff will self-evaluate the drafts and develop one that meets the requirements.
- Town meeting warrant articles: 30 articles, probably 2 nights and hopefully not 3.
  - Article 16, 17, 18, 20, 21 have transportation implications.
  - Article 16 – easement acquisitions for the Middlesex turnpike expansion project and for Great Road/Mudge Way intersections for safe routes to school.
  - Article 17 – We have to accept Mudge Way as a public way.
  - Article 18 – Bond authorization and potential debt exclusion for an addition at Lane School. Project additions related to circulation troubles and managing traffic related issues at pickup and dropoff.
  - Article 20 – community preservation article, item 13, minuteman bikeway extension design. In 2011 the selectmen committed to doing a design for the type of surface treatment. The design cost is \$435K. It is everything including RR avenue, bike extension, the crossing at Concord Road. There is a grade change, there was an underpass for the train so the idea was that there would be an underpass built for the trail as well. Community Preservation came back and said they wouldn't go higher than \$225K.
  - Article 21 – Expanded local transit pilot program. Fin Com thought it should be a standalone program. The appropriation should be \$207K to cover 2-year project.

8:11 PM Planning Board

- Proposed development off Chelmsford Road. They did a site visit and the future road was staked out.
  - The TAC is concerned about the steep grade and curve of the road may cause safety issues for neighborhood residents, cyclists/pedestrians on Chelmsford Road. The design needs to have a more gradual grade and a leveling off at Chelmsford Road.
- Industrial base zoning (Article 9) – specifically the shuttle bus turnouts and support for transportation management elements 6.7.4 and 6.7.5

- Page Place
- ZBA is proposing anything in limited business could be allowed to go from 2000 sqft to 4000 sqft
- Zoning board wants to hire a consultant for review of zoning laws in the context of the Great Road

8:40 Misc

- Article 9 – motion to support – based on the transportation elements, passed unanimously
- Article 16 - motion to support - passed unanimously
- Article 17 – motion to support - passed unanimously
- Article 20 - motion to support the completion of the design of the project at the \$225K level proposed in the Community Preservation budget.
- Article 21 – motion to support – passed unanimously

9:10 PM Adjourned